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SUBJECT: TRANSPORT OF CONTROL DATA CORPORATION CYBER 172

COMPUTER TO YUZHNO SAKHALINSK

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1. ALASKA INTERNATIONAL AIR'S FLIGHTS TO TRANSPORT THE CONTROL DATA CORPORATION CYBER 172 COMPUTER TO YUZHNO SAKHALINSK HAVE BEEN DELAYED FROM APRIL 20, 23 AND 26 TO APRIL 23, 26 AND 29. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAS NOW BELATEDLY NOTIFIED THE SOVIET CONSULATE IN SAN FRANCISCO THAT FLIGHT CLEARANCE HAD BEEN GRANTED APRIL 14. WITHOUT THIS NOTIFICATION - WHICH MFA DELAYED GIVING FOR UNFATHOMABLE REASON - THE SOVIET CONSULATE IN SAN FRANCISCO COULD NOT ISSUE THE SOVIET VISAS FOR THE ALASKA INTERNATIONAL AIR AIRCRAFT'S CREW AND PERSONNEL IN TIME FOR THE FIRST FLIGHT APRIL 18 FROM ANCHORAGE, AS ORIGINALLY PLANNED. ACCORDING TO THE MINISTRY, THE VISAS SHOULD BE ISSUED APRIL 19 IN SAN FRANCISCO. PERMITTING DEPARTURE OF FIRST FLIGHT APRIL 21 FROM ANCHORAGE, ALASKA, WITH ARRIVAL IN KUSHIRO, JAPAN APRIL 22, AND DEPARTURE FOR YUZHNO SAKHALINSK APRIL 23. CONFIDENTIAL

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2. BARRING UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES, THE EMBASSY EXPECTS NO DIFFICULTIES WITH THE JAPANESE VISAS FOR THE SOVIET FLIGHT CREW, SINCE, ACCORDING TO THE JAPANESE EMBASSY MOSCOW, THE VISAS ARE VALID UNTIL MAY 17 FOR 4 ENTRY/EXITS. HOWEVER, MFA SEEMS TO ENTERTAIN SOME DOUBTS ON THIS POINT, CLAIMING THAT VISAS EXPIRE

BEFORE APRIL 29. TOON

NOTE BY OC/T: TELEGRAM DELAYED IN TRANSMISSION.

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